



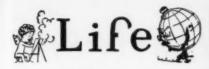
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THE ROAD TO CULTURE, by Chas. Gray Shaw. Funk & Wagnalls, \$2. Friend-professor Shaw succeeds here, by sheer personal charm of style, in lifting a generally banal and invariably vulgar subject into a mood which makes us feel that we don't much care any more, even if we are cultured. He says it is the art of knowing exactly what to do with oneself. How awful! Still, we survive his offhandy pages.

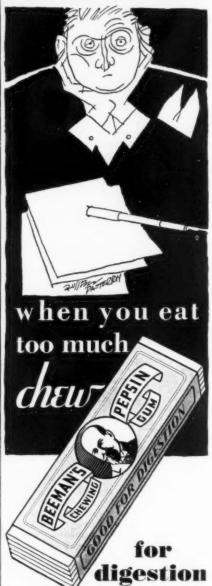
THE BLACK NAPOLEON (Toussaint Louverture), by Percy Waxman. Harcourt Brace & Co., \$3.50. We always knew that the author of this best biography of the season could write, being the editor of a widely popular woman's magazine; but that he should entertain and nail us down to this exciting presentation of one of the greatest of historical negroes is more than we bargained for. And the white Napoleon thought it an "honorable" matter to have him jailed!

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—Thomas L. Masson.

listless?



When you eat a hearty lunch, and have no pep to tackle the rest of your work for the day—just see how much your digestion is to blame.

Chew a stick of this delicious pepsin gum which Dr. Beeman perfected to aid digestion.

For over 30 years, millions have preferred its fresh, keen flavor and satisfying smoothness. When you buy your morning paper, ask for a pack of Beeman's.

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A Veteran's Reply To Congress
"I'll wait, Uncle Sam! I've got a job!"

I'VE SEEN YOU SOMEWHERE

MAN in a red swimming suit plunged into the Pacific Ocean. Behind him was the coast of California, Ahead was a raft. He gained the raft and was in the act of boarding it when he discovered another swimmer had arrived before him. She was in blue.

"I beg your pardon," said the man in the red swimming suit. He would have returned to California immediately had not the woman in the blue swimming suit said, "I've seen you some-

where.'

She was a slim, rounded person with friendly blue eyes-in her early twenties or, allowing for climate, in her late twenties at the most, he would say. Several years younger than he was. He said to her, "And I've seen you somewhere.'

He was in his early thirties, she would say. Just about her own age. The deep tan on his face stopped at his neck and the even deeper tan of his arms ended above his elbows. She said to him, "Where?

"I don't know," he said. "It must have been years ago. To me you are someone I knew well once, possibly in college."

"I was thinking the same about you," she said. "I am sure that once we knew each other quite well."

"My name is

"Wait!" she silenced him. "Don't spoil it. Let's guess who we are?"

HE man smiled. Here was a com-1 panion worthy of the afternoon. He had a fleeting desire to cut the raft's moorings and let it drift to some uninhabited island. "All right," he said. "Who am I?"

"I know you play tennis," she said. "The extent of your suntan tells me that. Or is it golf?"

"It's golf. Or rather it was golf. Starting with today I have given it up. Dr. Matthews said worrying about my game was bringing on nervous indigestion and

"Dr. Matthews?"

"Yes. I was coming along great. Last year I reached the semi-finals in the club tournament and this year I was going around in

"It's too terrible, isn't it?" she interrupted. "Dr. Matthews is making me give up bridge, starting today. He said I must get my mind off it entirely. That's why I took up swimming.'

"I'm glad you did."

"The bridge club is meeting at Mrs. Parker's this afternoon. This evening it meets at Mrs. Stone's-and here I am on a raft.

"At least we have something in com-mon," said the man. "The open championship ends this afternoon and tonight there is a dinner for the winners and here I am on a raft.

"And we haven't guessed who we are?" she laughed. "I know I've seen you somewhere.'

"And I'm equally certain I've seen you somewhere.

"Could it have been in Kansas City?" she asked. "I played there as a representative of the club. At one table my partner bid three hearts and I bid a little slam. The six of clubs was led

"Perhaps it was in Seattle?" said the man. "Four of us go up there now and then to play the Belle Meade course. The sixteenth is a 445-yard dog leg. On the left is a lake and on the right is

"YOU weren't on the cruise to the West Indies, were you? We had 250 players, 62 tables. On the fourth day out I led an ace and

"Sometimes I go to Fort Worth to visit my brother," said the man. "The ninth hole there is an iron shot. There are two sand traps. One is just to the left of the green and

We couldn't have met on a golf course," said the woman. "I don't play golf."

"I don't play bridge," said the man.

Unknown to the two a third swimmer, a youngster of ten or twelve in a yellow swimming suit, had left the California shore. He climbed aboard the raft and, seeing the man in the red swimming suit and the woman in the blue swimming suit, said, "Hello, mom! Hello, dad!"

-Tom Sims.



"My-but there's a lot of married couples out tonight!"

Who-We?

By BERTON BRALEY

We all wander through Hooey Breathe, drink and chew Hooey Dodge or pursue Hooey Hither and there; Gentile and Jew Hooey Moslem, Hindu Hooey, Somehow we brew Hooey Out of the air!

When tears start to swim in The orbs of the women And eyes, black or bluey, Grow full Of brine that is dewy And just a bit gooey, We know it's Boo-Hooey They pull!

While when folks grab spotlights
And ten-thousand-watt lights
And crash every publicised brawl,
And spill their souls—Pfui!—
In talks interviewy
It's just Ballyhooey,
That's all.

Then, as to the fellows
Whose genial bellows
Will greet you wherever you go;
Those back-slappers—Blooie!—
Whose handshakes are gluey
They're spilling Yoo-Hooey
We know.

And when people's game is
To flatter the famous
And tie Lions up with a chain
And wide-eyed and coo-ey,
Feed praise that's too-too-ey,
That's merely Who's-Hooey
It's plain.

So we bestrew Hooey
Gentile and Jew Hooey
Chinese, Hindu Hooey
Yes, every one;
Yet, as we view Hooey
Rosy or blue Hooey
There ain't no new Hooey
Under the sun!

Reverse English

The news of English we tell the latest. Writ in perfectly style and most earliest. Do a murder commit, we hear of it and tell it. Do a mighty chief die, we publish it and in border somber. Staff has each been colleged and writ like the Kipling and the Dickens. We circle every town and extortionate not for advertisements.

-Ad. in the Central China Post.



"Close your little eyes and sleep!"

An inventor has patented a meter for gas, water or electricity which records the amount used in dollars and cents. The ideal meter, though, would be one that you could put in reverse. "You may safely reduce from five to twenty pounds in two months," says a magazine article. But we find that wearing a collar one size too large gives the same general effect.



"And if you will write to this address you will receive one of our handy dish mops and a book of timely suggestions."

THE QUESTIONING MUSE

All poetry consists to a greater or less extent of riddles.—Aldous Huxley in the London Spectator.

Why does a chicken cross the road?

To get to the other side.

What is the width of a pair of shoes?

Exactly two feet wide.

How do you make a Maltese cross?

By pulling its tail for fun.

When is a cuckoo clock unkind?

When it strikes its little one.

What three letters make a girl grow old?

The letters A. G. E.

Why doesn't the devil learn to skate?

How in H——I could he?

And isn't a baby not a baby
When he's a little bare (bear)
And an old maid like a wilted apple
Because she is hard to pair (pare).

See?

-W. W. Scott



"The number has been changed!"

"DOCTOR, I'M A-FREUD!"

THE great psycho-analyst, chin in hand, listened to the recital of his patient's inner life. With skilfull questioning he brought out facts and fancies and fears that had reduced the man on the couch to a miserable being, scarcely worthy of the name of "man".

According to his admission, the patient had married young, and his wife, he revealed, was several years his senior. Their home-life had been fairly peaceful; that is,

there never had been any outand-out hostility, but the learned doctor knew at once that here was a case of continual frustration. A man, by right, the head of his own household, and as such, the leader of his family group, was stripped of his domination by the subtle wiles of a woman, working from behind a veil of deep affection. Consciously, the patient loved his wife; sub-consciously—but only the great psychologist knew!

The doctor stroked his beard, scarcely listening to the drone from the couch. A smile played about his lips, as he tried to sum up the case in a few simple words. In a weary tone the patient murmured: "Oh, I don't know what is the matter with me!" The doctor clapped him on the charleter.

the shoulder:
"Probably," he said, absently, "it's something you hate!"
—Dana L. Cotie



The locomotive that was afraid of the dark.



SINBAD!

The end of a perfect (March) day.



"It looks like you guys will have to stay a while there ain't a Magistrate left in New York."

Then Comes Baseball-The Ivory Season

The marble season opens in this country shortly after it adjourns in Washington.

False Steps

In the subway we run into a great many people who seem to be able to think on our feet.

Growing Pains

"I don't believe people are friendly as they were when I was a boy," writes an author. And they aren't half so large.

Open For Advice

"When you have a desire to yawn," advises a physician, "do so to the fullest extent." But don't go away and forget to close your mouth.

Probably It Has To Be Known

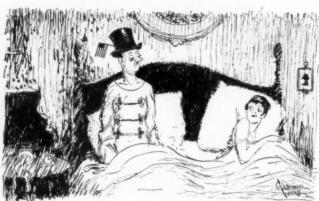
Prohibition agents recently emptied several barrels of seized liquor out on the ground, in New Jersey. It would be interesting to get up some morning and see how an early bird fares, getting his worm in that neighborhood.

Hi! Fellows!

A club for men more than six feet tall has been formed in St. Louis. We hear the chairs in it are to be indicated by landing field markers.

Wanted-Obituary Columnist

A Chicago newspaper is offered for sale. Just what Al Capone needs.



"And what, pray, gives you the impression I've been drinking?"

Love Song-

When I'm

In tunnels and subways and underground things, I feel as if I'm flying on huge black wings.

I feel as if I'm pushing the very earth aside,
I feel a sense of power, quite God-like, as I ride!

When I'm

In great ships and zeppelins and fast express trains, I feel as if I'm driving a horse without reins; I feel as if I'm finding the last horizon place, I feel as if I'm winning life's most important race.

When I'm

Sitting still and watching the light across your hair,
As you read in the evening, in your great cozy chair,
I haven't any wings, and there isn't any race,
And I only wish you'd lift your eyes and smile into my
face . . .

-Margaret E. Sangster.



"John, I do wish you'd go back to the straight razor."



Manufacturers of the old "Welcome" mat find sales skyrocket since they changed the copy.

The Lucky Break

Dr. Brown put down his stethoscope and looked thoughtfully at his patient. "Dress yourself," said the physician, "and come into my office."

A few minutes later his patient appeared. "I'm going to talk plainly to you," said the doctor. "You are an adult and there's nothing to be gained by beating around the bush. Frankly, you're in pretty bad shape. I recommend that you go to the hospital at once for observation. After you're there about two weeks or so we'll operate. In the meantime, you must get X-ray treatment, diathermy treatment, special diet, massage and a metabolism test. The operation, though not necessarily serious, will incapacitate you for about a month. You'll need a day nurse, a night nurse, a . . .

"And charts and electric treatments and blood counts and everything?" eagerly inquired the sick man.

"Yes, we'll have to employ all the most modern methods," said the doctor. "It's going to be a long siege. I'm sorry."

"Sorry nothing!" exclaimed the patient. "I've been looking forward to this for years. I'll make a million out of the experience. You see, doc, I'm a professional humorist and I haven't as yet written my book about how it feels to be in a hospital."

-Arthur L. Lippmann.

The Look-of-the-Month

Her eyes were turned up to mine and I shall never forget the expression in them, half fear, half defiance, half desire and half love.

-From the Columbus (Ohio) Citizen.

Philoginny

I'll drink with the ladies if you don't mind Gentlemen, You'll pardon me because I find your company beyond the seventh highball dull. About that time it is your wont to mull over your past, your loves, and other trivialities; your importance in respective municipalities. I find that ladies never seem to feel the urge To glorify their golf score or to purge their souls of marital banalities By loudly boasting of their husbands' qualities How much, who, or what, they made in years gond.

How much, who, or what, they made in years gone by The usual claptrap that accompanies, "Here's mud in your eye!"

Egotist!! Well I will admit they let me talk about myself

My past, ambitions, sorrows, and the total of my pelf. But withal, they know what they're about— Rather than grow dull, a lady always passes out.

-ed. graham.



"This is going to be swell! For the first time in history, 10,000 seals are barking for the talkies!"



"Right behind you is the guy who's been running around with your wife—but don't look now!"

Positively!

NORTH: "I suppose you know what it means to be on the losing side?"

WEST: "Yes, sir. I'm a farmer and married!"

By all means let's try and improve the unemployment situation before summer, or some of our street vendors will start selling watermelons.

Bigger and Wetter

Aw 'Chute!

Then there's the aviation student who was dropped when he couldn't keep up in his studies.

Popular New York Clubmen

And in those Police-Communist games in New York, some of the cops are hitting 400, or better.



"And now I'll leave you children alone."

The Phonograph Record

"Have you got that record-You're The something? I don't remember the rest of the title. . . Maybe that isn't the name of it but they keep singing-You're The so and so, all through the chorus. Then there's something about rain and sun and blue. Have you got it in stock? . . . I can't tell you who plays it. I heard it at a friend's house. I know there's an incidental chorus toward the end. . . Why, it sort of goes-da. da. da, de, da-da. . . I can't hum very well. . . I didn't notice the make of the record. Can you name over some of the makes? . . . I guess it was either a Victor or Columbia. . . Oh, no; I can't whistle. . . Maybe it was a Brunswick.

There was something on the other side about I Got something. Have you a Brunswick with I Got something, or You Got something on one side and this You're business on the other? . . . Has Hal somebody got an orchestra? . . . Maybe he plays it. I really didn't notice. . . A corner sort of comes in just before the incidental trio. . . I know, but haven't you one where a cornet or something comes in like that? . . . No, it isn't Would You Like To Take A Walk. . . I'd know it right away if I heard it. . . No, I didn't ask my friend where she got it. . . Yes, I suppose I could call her up but I don't exactly like to hum over the telephone.

"Hello, Marion? . . . Marion, this is Bertha. . . Listen, Marion-do you remember that You're something or other you played when I was over the other night with Willett? . . . I said, you have a record I'm trying to remember that goes da, da, da, de, da-da. . . Would you mind closing the door, sir. . . Listen, Marion-I'm at Miller's trying to buy that record I liked that goes da, da. da, de. da-da. . . I know, but I don't know the name of it . . . You're The One I what? . . . You're The One I Care For! That's it! . . . Thanks a lot, Marion. . . What! . . . Oh, I didn't know you were playing the radio. . . No, I thought you were playing the Victrola. . . Thanks just the same, Marion. . . Bye.

"Have you got Three Little Words in stock? . . . I'll take Three Little Words then, please."

-lack Cluett.

MRS. PEP'S DIARY

By Baird Leonard

TEBRUARY 19-Thankful this morning that none of the innumerable small hairpins which the hairdresser put in yesterday to keep my water wave in place had pierced my skull in the night and gone through to my brain, as I feared upon retiring that some of them might do, albeit my husband, when I confided my apprehensions to him, risked his life by assuring me that my cranium was of sufficient thickness to withstand such a calamitous penetration. But it was not pleasant upon arising to find that a great pipe had burst in our street, depriving the entire neighborhood of water until such time as a double shift of workmen could repair it, so that I was forced to take my bath in what I could melt up from the ice cubes, whereas Sam did go to the club for his morning ablutions, first washing

his face in my cleansing lotion, an ignominy to which he had never thought to come, so that I did remind him, You never miss the water till the street main bursts." Reading in the journals that plans are afoot for the revision of the New York divorce laws, and high time it is, too, for Lord! I do well recall how the suffragists were wont to state that one of their first concerns, if they were granted the ballot, would be to campaign for a speedy shelving of outmoded statutes regarding marital relationship, and for a standardization of those governing divorce. Libby Smith for tea, greatly distressed that she must, because of financial reverses, go into a trade which she thinks will degrade her, so I could but remind her of the ancient Greek who, being made public scavenger of Athens by his political enemies, vouchsafed that if the profession reflected no honor upon him, he would do his best to reflect honor upon the profession. What is more, I did give her a sizeable order.

FEBRUARY 20—Lay late, pondering this and that, in especial what I heard recently about Somerset Maugham to the effect that he never comes home from any social gather-

ing without sitting down and writing his impressions of every individual he met and filing them away for future use or reference, and my reaction is that of the old filling-station keeper in the South, who, just as two New Yorkers whom he had supplied with gas were driving away, called them back and asked, "Is it true that railroads run under rivers in your town?" and when they affirmed, he quoth, "I don't believe it!" Weary of my usual breakfast routine, I ordered instead of fruit a large beaker of grape juice mixed with ginger ale, very fine, and when Katie herself did bring it, I did plunge at once into conversation with her, hoping to coax her into rubbing the back of my neck, forasmuch as she is likely during the proceeding to vouchsafe remarks which she would not make at any other time, and this morning her gratitude was great that she was an American born and bred, and when I inquired her reasons, she quoth, "Because over here we don't have to support no kings!" Which caused me, with my income tax blank in sight, and our constabulary, legislation, etc., crowding all interesting matters out of the journals, to laugh so heartily that she well nigh ceased her ministrations.

THE snow still a-falling, so it was easier than usual to telephone Dr. Eckley for the sixth or seventh time that I should not be over for the completion of the dental work which he did all but finish two weeks ago, albeit if I do not soon appear before him, he will be justified in getting out a warrant for me. Home all day, reading in a book called "Murder for Love," and it minded me of the time when an ill at ease dinner partner asked me seriously if I could ever bring myself to take another's life.



"You're sure there aren't any gunsters?"

LIFE IN WASHINGTON

By Carter Field

Hail! Hail! The Gang's All Gone!

THE Seventy First Congress has passed into history, and if you ask us it was a good riddance. If it had died four months after it convened in that first extra session—you remember the one back before the break in the stock market, the one that was going to relieve the farmer, and somehow get that "chicken in every pot" promised during the campaign—it would have lived too long.

In fact some cynics think it would have been better if this newly expired Congress had never been born at all. That seems a trifle harsh. Consider the hundreds of bright young men, and

women, who wrote pieces for the newspapers about its activities every day. And consider the aggravated unemployment situation if there were no Congress to write about.

Of course there was no unemployment to speak of when this Congress was born. It was elected on a high tide of prosperity, and so confident was the country that the millenium was approaching in high gear that the stock market could not contain itself. So after a while it burst.

YES this last Congress has a lot to answer for. It was born in fear. If Senator Borah had not frightened Herbert Hoover, just as Mr. Hoover was about to ride into the Presidency on a perfect avalanche, that if he did not promise to call an extra session for the farmers those horny handed lads would elect Al Smith, the Pope, and the Tammany Judges, there would have been no extra session.

That session was to help the farmers. Just here one begins to suspect Russian propaganda, not to mention a Rasputin type of occult influence. For consider what happened. First the boys up on Capitol Hill tried to pass a debenture to help the farmers. This would have taken money out of the treasury to pay the losses on wheat sold abroad below

the American price. So that the treasury would provide cheaper bread, so to speak, for foreign workmen, while American workmen paid high prices. No one knew in this country, at least at that time, that Russia was going to have a lot of wheat to sell the following year. But you notice that this grabbag for the farmer was obstructed in one way or another, never with any direct slap in the farmers' faces, of course. But it died.

THEN came the Farm Board plan. Everything was going to be lovely. Prices were going to be held up by stabilization. There was magic in the very word. No one in those days talked about the Hoover depression.

"Yes, we're plantin' more this year, too."

Everybody was prosperous then but the farmers—and the New England textiles—and we were going to make them prosperous too. That would open up a grand new market for our automobiles, radios, electric refrigerators and so forth. There was just no end to the money that was going to be So the Farm Board waited until just a little while before Russia was ready to dump all this wheat and then began buying. Maybe some smart fellows suspected this deluge of grain from the starving steppes, for nobody except the Farm Board seems to have done much buying. The Board found itself with 200,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand after the Russians had sold all of theirs. Of course the Russians did not get a very high price for their wheat, as prices range, but they sold out long before the bottom was reached.

It is very distressing to see these Russian lads, all untrained in modern methods and efficiency, and wholly lacking anything resembling the 71st Congress, outsmart our folks that way. But the fact is if they had enjoyed autocratic power to control American governmental action, they could not have timed its performance any more to their own interest than they did. Probably

not half as well.

There has been a lot of tender sentiment around Washington the last few weeks. There have been more goodbye parties, and more after dinner oratory on the great and unselfish services of the legislators about to retire to private life, mostly on motion by their constituents, than usual at the end of each two years. Perhaps because there have been more casu-

BUT there were not quite enough, if one has curiosity enough to ask. There ought to have been a few more. And we hear direful tales that some of those whose absence was most desired may be back with us ere long. Either in lame duck jobs or due to some of them acquiring new constituencies in the reapportionments.

Last election taught them one thing. It inspired a frantic desire to placate their electorates. Hence the panicky rush to the bonus

by all and sundry, whether they thought it was a wise move for the government, the country, or the soldiers themselves, or not.

It's all very depressing. No wonder Mr. Hoover was unable to smile one night recently at a rollicking parody on Casey Jones about "Hustling Heeh."



The deaf and dumb crooner.

HUSBAND: "Oh, of course. Well, he won't get it. Anything else, dear?"

WIFE: "Nothing but circulars. A lot of silly, longwinded men we can't be bothered to listen No, wait a second. Here's a tall, dark woman for you. Forwarded from the office. I wonder if you're concealing something from me. Hmmm, scented too. I think I'd better "

HUSBAND: "Now dear, just hand her over, please. She's just a business matter. Entirely business, I assure you What's that knocking at the door?"

Wife: "I'll see. . . . Oh, it's mother come Special Delivery. Isn't it too wonderful for words? Aren't you glad, dear?"

HUSBAND: "Confound the mails anyway! Nothing but bad news and bills, and we tax-payers have to stand for it."

W. W. Scott

First of the Month

It is possible in Belfast, Ireland, through arrangements with the postoffice department, to become a human parcel and be expressed to any part of the city at the rate of about six cents a mile. Messengers are employed for this service. They call for and deliver the human "packages" to the desired destination.

-News Item.

BELFAST HUSBAND: "Has the mail come yet, dear? You know I like to look it over with my coffee."

BELFAST WIFE: "Just one second. I'm sorting it a little first. It looks interesting. Here's a nice, thick woman for me. It must be Aunt Agatha. She usually has a lot of gossip, so I'll save her until a little later."

HUSBAND: "I'm expecting a business"

WIFE: "And of course, the bills. Here's that fussy little fellow from the department store. He's angry about that payment."

HUSBAND: "Let him wait a few days. Do him good."

WIFE: "And here's a very official looking man from the government."

HUSBAND: "Don't open him yet. Put him aside. I'll take him up to the office with me. What's that little fellow with postage due?"

WIFE: "That's your nephew from college. He wants some more money. He has to buy textbooks, he says, and a new pair of rubbers."



"Thuh people of the State of Noo Yawk versus Timothy Battling' Hogan!"



The bathroom singers give a concert.

MARCHE FUNEBRE

The Etude, music magazine, asked several noted persons to reveal their choices of the music they would prefer to hear if they knew they were to die within a few hours. Rudy Vallée would prefer to listen to "Scheherazade" while John Philip Sousa nominated "The Stars and Stripes Forever."

-News Item.

THIS is a matter to which too few of us have given any serious

thought. It is all too frivolous a world which cannot spare a few moments to ponder on the proper song to hear with a dying ear.

Of course, there is the possibility that even after we have chosen our favorite song, we may be disappointed. Vallée, for instance, was almost snuffed out to the strains of "Oh, Give Me

Something to Remember You By."
Although "Etude" hasn't asked me to do so, I think I shall add a few death song selections from some of my personal friends and enemies. I have an aunt who expressed herself as favoring "The Gay Caballero" when death was at hand. I have heard her say often, "When Frank Crummit sang 'The Gay Caballero' I thought I'd die!"

When I asked father for his word on the subject he said he'd like to die

listening to the strains of "On the Road to Mandalay," and mother said she hopes he does if he ever tries to sing it again at a church social.

I find that the majority of my friends, however, prefer to pass out to the rollicking "How Dry I Am," and most of them do.

Jack Grey, the undertaker, thinks "Cheerful Little Earful" is appropriate anytime anybody kicks the bucket.

For my own part, I would alter the song to fit the manner of death.

If I am run down by an Austin, someone should sing or whistle, "The Little Things in Life."

If, on the other hand, I am spared until next summer to die of indigestion in the ball park, I think "The Peanut Vendor" would be apropos.

Should my end come by guillotine I expect the boys in the band to play softly while I render a few verses of "I Ain't Got No Body."

And in case fate or a hostile jury places me on a gallows and the hangman says, "Have you any final request?" I shall say, "Yes, please play a Victrola record for me. I'd like to hear Paul Whiteman's 'Rhapsody in Blue'—on the 12-inch disk." If they haven't got that I'd demand a variation of an old familiar and call it "There's a Long, Long Trial A-Waning."

However, I find that most people are not concerned so much with what sort of music they get before they die as they are about the kind they get after they die. Most of them would rather hear harps than tuning forks.

—Rod Reed.



FLEA TO OTHER FLEA: Well, well, William, imagine meeting you here. It certainly is a small world after all.

The Cafeteria

HE luncheon hour. The disinclina-The luncheon noun. The decision to pass up your regular eating place and patronize a new one for a change. The departure from the office. The stroll down the street. The roving eye. The discovery of a new cafeteria. The mild curiosity. The decision to try the place. The self-satisfied reflection that you are the kind of man who will

try anything once.

The entrance. The doubt as to where to start in to get your food. The wish that there were some other patron, who knew his way about, to follow. The turn to the right. The sign, "Exit only." The increased confusion. The notion to get out, and get out quick. The quick turn. The collision with the lady manager, rushing up to get you started right. The apology. The firm hand grasping your arm and leading you across to the entrance of the serving aisle. The realization that the lady manager has sized you up as one of those people who is always getting lost. The resentment. The inability to indicate it since the lady manager has left

THE trays. The cutlery. The selection of a knife, a fork and two spoons. The approach toward the food. The selection of two pieces of bread and a roll. The after-thought selection



BURGLAR: Hold on, Mister. I'll concede that putt.

of another roll. The sudden realization that you have a lot of bread. The hesitancy to put any of it.back, under the eagle eye of a waitress. The hunch that she has correctly sized you up as a man who doesn't know his own mind. The stern look

 $\Gamma^{ ext{HE}}$ great variety of salads. The quick selection of one kind. The immediate regret that you did not take another kind instead. The inclination to make a change. The nudge of a tray in the hands of a woman in line behind you. The decision to move along.

The bowl of soup. The meat order. The potatoes. The string beans. The beets. The realization that your tray is getting pretty full, although you have not yet reached the place where you can get dessert and coffee. The decision to forego dessert. The tempting pies. The urgent desire for a piece of pie. The selection of a piece of pie. The difficulty in finding space for it on your tray. The greater difficulty in finding space for your pot of coffee. The eventual triumph with the aid of a waitress who seems to know her business.

The check, amounting to \$1.32. The vast surprise. The realization for the first time that you have enough food for about three hungry men. The guilty realization that you are paying a good deal more for your lunch than you usually do. The hunch that the cashier knows exactly what you are thinking about. The hurried payment of the

THE search for a table. The unloading of your tray. The vast array of dishes. The growing conviction that other patrons are laughing at you. The indignation at them and at yourself. The discovery that you forgot to take a napkin. The discovery that you haven't enough forks. The feeling that you have been put upon. The ardent wish that you had gone to your regular luncheon place. The loss of appetite. The disinclination to eat much of the food. The feeling that it is a point of honor to eat all of it.

The consumption of every-or nearly every-bit of food before you. The gorged feeling. The sluggish return to the office. The surreptitious nap. -John C. Emery.



"Yes, I want another cook-a small one."



As The Artist Sees It

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As It Is

PLife Looks About



Uncorking Butler

THE newspaper headlines which run "Butler to Resign Military Service," refer of course to Major-General Smedley Butler, the eminent shock-trooper who lately burst into the Hall of Fame mouth first. The United States has a lien on General Butler's services but it will probably consent to his resignation if he insists. It is suggested in the papers that he contemplates a lecture course. That might do for a while, or as a shock-trooper of the Drys (he says he is a Dry), he might become Mrs. Ella Boole's chief-of-staff in the W. C. T. U., or succeed Brother Cannon, impaired by illness and other troubles, on the Methodist Board of Morals.

But does General Butler really do wisely to get out of the Marines? People with memories long enough may recall that in old times when we had champagne-when the cork was let go out of the bottle the bubbles presently escaped. If you drank them up, well and good, but if the wine stood long it went flat. Now the restraint of public military service as a Major-General in the Marine Corps may be seen as the cork which has kept General Smedley Butler's bubbles inside of him. If he got loose in the world his sentiments, after the first bursts of utterance, might not be so interesting.

PRISONS have not been doing well recently. Not even such improvement as may have resulted in their residential population from the enforcement of the Fighteenth Amendment has brought satisfactory results. There have been repeated prison revolts and bad stories about prison life from all directions. So there is now an effort to make prisons more effective in improving the characters and intelligence of persons consigned to them.

It is led by Mr. Lewisohn, whose name has long been associated with efforts to make prisons and prisoners better. He is Chairman of the Prison Commission of the State of New York. The attention of persons who are contemplating crimes or for any reasons are expecting to do time is invited to this prospect of penal improvement. The newspapers report that a large New York State prison at Attica is being built to hold two thousand prisoners, which is too many, at a cost of five thousand dollars a bed, which is too much. It must, however, be a swell prison. The old time suggestion for taking care economically of the Indians was to board them at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Possibly these two thousand patients who are expected to take the cure in the new Attica prison, when it is finished, could be more economically cared for (as the Times suggests) at the New York hotels, but after all, prisoners are difficult and might make trouble for the hotels. What is desired is to get them to the country. The prison experts want the new prisons on farming lands. The big job just now is to take care of people who for one reason or another cannot for the moment take care of themselves. Prisoners belong to that group.

New York's Problems

 \mathbf{I}^{N} New York we have now several pressing jobs—one is to feed the

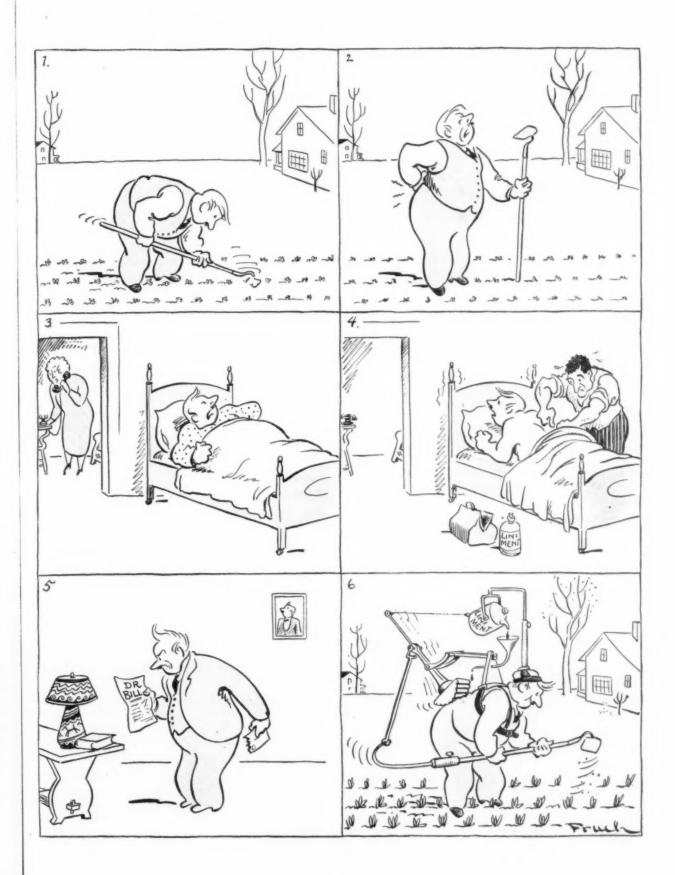
hungry and take care of the families of the unemployed. Then there is the investigation of courts and of the Bank of the United States, all making copy for the newspapers, and usually readable copy, as is apt to happen when the subject is crime.

The Police Department on the whole is popular. Stories come constantly of the courage, enterprise and helpfulness of policemen and probably a large majority of the police force is honest. The more reason then for chasing hard the minority that takes toll on speakeasies and most of all the obscene bunch that frames up women and derives a revenue from bringing them into court and letting them out again.

IT is a terribly hard job to bring rogues to justice. We should be grateful to anybody who succeeds with it. Still there is a choice of rogues. Speakeasies seem to be useful. Many persons would rather have them pay some toll than cease to exist, but framing up women, and especially respectable women, is an intolerable iniquity for which no decent person can have anything but abhorrence.

-E. S. Martin.





Theatre . by Baird Leonard

The Great Barrington

F Franklin Russell had plumped the Freytag diagram flat, like an architect's triangle, upon the structure of "The Great Barrington," he could have trimmed off at its edges considerable material of no more relevance or value than the superfluous dough which a pastry cook shaves from the rim of a pie tin. Indeed, he would have fashioned a more compact, more comprehensible play, and everybody could have been home and asleep at least forty-five minutes earlier. If he had even ever heard that repetition weakens the force of a statement (the proving exception being "delenda est Carthago!"), he might have spared us an exposition so long and tiresome that the brighter boys and girls in the audience began, after fifteen or twenty minutes of it, to look about for whatever mental defectives might not have grasped in that time the fact that the contemporary twelfth-in-line Barrington was crazed on the subject of his forebears, and considered anybody hailing from Kansas City or Seattle not worthy to latch the thongs of his boots, much less attend the annual feast, hitherto strictly en famille, thrown in the 1629 up-Hudson house in honor of the first (and great) Barrington's birthday.

AS things went, the swanking Bar-rington and Van Doorn were just as boresome on the stage as ancestor maniacs are in real life, and it was not until the middle of the second act that the satire of the theme sank into the customers and gave them legitimate laughs. "The Great Barrington" should teach all women afflicted with genealogical fever to subside gracefully the minute their Colonial Dames papers are accepted at Washington, and all men suffering from the same malady not to pry too closely into the archives at Albany, lest the contents of the deeds which they are attempting to authenticate, abetted by the printed memoirs of a humorous ancestress dug up innocently by some pariah from the middle-West named Jones, reveal that their house was founded by a rascal. For that is the sad fate which befell the modern Barrington, and its revelation demands a two-in-one action differing on the calendar by three hundred years. I liked the patroon part, which was peopled with robust characters relying on themselves instead of on tradi-

tion. In spite of an inherited aversion to savages, rooted in the tragic experiences of some of my own progenitors in this country, I even liked Ogu, the Indian, and am convinced that, had "The Great Barrington" been better written and better cast, the reiteration of his desire for Phoebe would now be a by-clause in the town. But I particularly liked Annabelle's final curtain line, which followed the discovery by her snobbish father of the two skeletons in the secret cupboard, "And in our closet!" Lady Macbeth could have done no better. Although not partial to Mr. Otto Kruger, I concede him a good performance in the swash-buckling role of the title. .

The Venetian Glass Nephew

THE premiere of "The Venetian Glass Nephew" was more like an evening at the MacDowell or Comedy Clubs than it should have been. The performance itself was too precious for me, and called to mind the shallow pitchers with which so many well meaning individuals go to deep wells. This fantasy of Elinor Wylie's, which Ruth Hale has valiantly dramatized in poetic prose and Eugene Bonner set to music, needs a better cast to put it over; as it is the principal appeal is to the eye

For those of you who did not read the book, the young gentleman of the title was an automaton created by the best glass blower in Venice in answer to a sweet old Cardinal's prayer for a nephew. The notorious Casanova-and it never bores me to see him having a poor time!-worked some of his magic to inspire the boy with life, and from the moment when he stepped from his cabinet into a world of real men and women, it was frequently necessary to pinch oneself and murmur, 'Now never mind, it's only a fantasy.' The Cardinal had been afraid that a flesh and blood nephew might sin, without taking into account that a synthetic scion might mix things up pretty badly for everybody by falling in love. It was romance at first sight between the brittle Virginio and the vital Rosalba, and when she found she could not hug him without breaking his arm, there was nothing for her to do but go to Versailles with Casanova and a suitable chaperonage and be baked into a fine porcelain to match her husband's fragility. They lived happily for some time afterwards without resorting to mucilage, and it was lucky for them that they lived in a town of liquid transit, for I shudder to think what the bumps in Forty-ninth Street would have done to them.

Mr. Bonner's score is of the period, and therefore unexciting, the two high spots being Virginio's debut song and Casanova's outburst about Rosalba. His music and Miss Hale's text deserved a better interpretation.

The Gang's All Here

THE influence of Al Capone upon civilization becomes more marked as the days pass. Nice old ladies in lace caps—I beg your pardon. That breed is extinct. But there are a few dowagers left who subscribe to the British magazines and haven't had their diamonds reset, and I have heard one or two of them express an admiring curiosity about this allegedly bold. bad man who shoots his way through Chicago's bench and constabulary in order to supply her citizens with liquor for which they are extremely grateful. His activities have inspired Mr. Edgar Wallace to a play, and their ramifications have now hit our musical comedy stage in "The Gang's All Here," which was still running along when I quit it at a quarter of twelve, but which has probably been pruned down by this time into the proper dimensions for an evening's entertainment. It would have been easy to scissor it before the opening, and if I had had anything to do with it, the first thing to go would have been that burlesque crooning of John Gallaudet's. This musical stars Ted Healy, whose face I like, and whose slapstick comedy, bolstered somewhat by three of the worst looking stooges ever seen on any stage, is highly provocative of laughter. Hal LeRoy stops the show with his dancing, Bert Fay does a neat bit of hoofing in long-toed shoes, one juggler gradually eats an apple which he is tossing about, Zelma O'Neal wants to know if her beau is the "it" which the Greeks had a word for, Joe Verdi pays hilarious but unprintable tribute to Rodin's "The Thinker," one good song is called "By Special Permission of the Copyright Owners, I Love You," and a quack tells a patient his blood pressure was so high that it had snow on it.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the show are the costumes by Russell Patterson, which are done with exceptional originality and good taste.

Movies · by Harry Evans

"Rango"

ERNEST SCHOEDSACK, who teamed up with Miriam Cooper in the filming of "Chang," "Grass" and "The Four Feathers," has returned from the Sumatra jungles after a year's stay with a new and interesting collection of animal pictures which are being presented under the title of "Rango"—which is Sumatran for orang-outang. In selecting the locale for this arduous, painstaking venture, Mr. Schoedsack chose country in which the wild life is more interesting for the rarity of specimens rather than variety. Because of this limitation the

film may not prove as interesting to the average movie fan as "Trader Horn," "Africa Speaks" and other recent animal films featuring the huge game herds of Africa.

The most unusual studies in this film are the shots of Bengal tigers playing around in their native haunts-and speaking of downright mean looking critters, one Bengal tiger can send more shivers up our back than a dozen of your African lions. As in "Chang" the action of "Rango" follows a story in which the animals are characterized with the tigers and black leopards playing the villains, while the orang-outangs and monkeys are presented as being in cahoots with a native huntsman and his son in the struggle for existence against the ferocious jungle cats. By means of clever camera work, which must have required unlimited patience, Mr. Schoedsack definitely establishes the personalities

of the different animals—particularly the orang-outang and his son, whose names are *Tua* and *Rango*. In his playful moods little *Rango* is a ludicrous, lovable little clown, while in his more serious moments his face registers a degree of whimsical pathos that would do credit to Chaplin. Nor have we seen

fear displayed more convincingly than by the jungle monkeys when that Old Debbil Tiger is prowling about in the neighborhood.

The most exciting moments are furnished by a fight between a water buffalo and a tiger—the buffalo appearing in the rôle of avenger for the murder of *Rango*. The action is fast and highly dramatic while it lasts, with the buffalo winning the decision by a knockout.

The story is skilfuily introduced by a prologue in which a man tells a jungle story to a small boy, and as the tale unfolds the voice is brought back at in-

AN JAKCHIC FNDELLINON

"What d' ya mean-you're a Byrd dog?"

tervals to emphasize a situation or explain a certain point. The explanatory remarks and the jungle sound effects are handled with excellent judgment, but we believe a mistake was made in not giving the names and important facts concerning a number of strange Sumatran animals that wander in and out of the picture without comment.

There is no doubt that nearly all of this film is authentic in detail, just as it is reasonably certain that many of the more colorful African animal pictures are faked and doctored. For this reason Mr. Schoedsack deserves the more credit... but at the same time we must admit that we have gotten a bigger kick out of some of the phoney African movies.

"It Pays To Advertise"

DUE to good casting, intelligent directing and a clever job of rewriting, this old vehicle moves along with astonishing smoothness and interest. We attended the show expecting to be pretty bored with the familiar plot and lines, but remained to giggle steadily at Skeets Gallagher whose comedy is the real reason for our favorable opinion of the picture.

As is always the case on screen or stage, it is the laugh producer who runs away with the show, and Mr. Gallagher again proves that, given the opportunity, he can sell lines with the best of them. Because of Skeets' efficient performance, the adequate work of Norman Foster, Carol Lombard and Eugene Pallette appears as nothing more important than a suitable background for the Gallagher fireworks.

Louise Brooks, whom we have not seen on the screen since her momentary appearance in "The Canary Murder Case" (in which a voice double was used to speak her lines),

seems to have been studying, as she gets away with her bit in this one creditably. Her real purpose in the film, however, is to show her legs, and in this phase of stage-craft she certainly needs no double.

"It Pays To Advertise" is good clean fun for the whole family.

Question! Question!

BY BERTON BRALEY

The Senate of these sovereign states Insistently investigates

And some committee always waits

To probe your private life and ken it, Your time will come, you'll have to go And make yourself a public show; You want to know who wants to know? —The Senate.

Why does a chicken cross the street?

How many oysters can you eat? Where does your poker party meet?

What is your philosophic tenet? What is your brand of Radio? Do you read Freud, and why, if so? Are eels a fish?

-Who wants to know?

-The Senate.

Is Santa Claus a fact or myth? And have you Soviet kin or kith? Who was the lady you were with Miss Clara Bow or Constance Bennett?

How doth the little acorn grow? What makes the little glow-worm glow?

Do you eat snails? Who wants to know?

—The Senate.

Inquiries into this and that—: Who is your friend? Where are you at? Speak up now, where'd'ja get that hat?

Let's see that letter. Did you pen it? Ain't there no privacy? Nay, bo You have to spill the beans and blow The whole darn works.

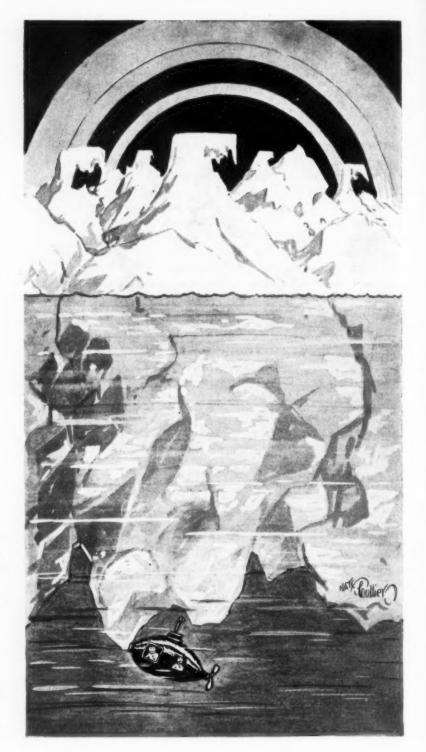
Who wants to know?

—The Senate.

Anagrins

- (1) Scramble *lamer* with an o and get a state of mind.
- (2) Scramble *liters* with an *l* and get an arbor.
- (3) Scramble seeding with an o and get a man in a tub.
- (4) Scramble dumping with an e and get challenged.
- (5) Scramble *cheats* with a *p* and get something on your clothes.

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"Now all we need to do is to chop a hole up through the ice."

A Great Big Maybe

And from the wrangling that still goes on over the Versailles treaty, the suspicion arises that the Wickersham Commission wrote that, too.

The Depression Explained

Women are struggling for equal rights in Japan. They are behind the times. In more advanced countries men are doing the struggling.

Life Aat Home

TRENTON, N. J.—Frank van Buren was arrested for violating the Blue Laws. He protested that his arrest on Sunday was in itself a violation of the Blue Laws, and the Supreme Court upheld the protest and discharged him.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.—Dr. G. H. Smith, of the University of Illinois, surveyed "student racketeering" in thirty colleges. He found it to be a thriving industry—with grafting and extortion practiced through athletics, entertainments, glee clubs, dramatic clubs, student publications, etc.

CHICAGO—Claude Erickson was willing to overlook his wife's insistence that her dog sleep with them, but when she forced him to kiss her mother, that was the limit, he said, filing suit for divorce.

The suit stated that Erickson complied with his wife's request to kiss his mother-in-law, but added that it "caused great mental anguish and brought a nervous breakdown."

BOSCOBEL, WIS.—The bounty on rattlesnakes has turned the rattles into a racket. Snake hunters take the rattles from the snake, which is all that is necessary to show in order to collect the bounty, and then turn the creature loose to grow more rattles.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.— When it was discovered that 25% of the school children had never seen a cow and

50% had never laid eyes on a calf, the Board of Education obtained a truck which daily brings a cow and two calves to the various schools for the pupils to examine.

BOSTON, MASS.—A restaurant chef is using the traffic lights to time his eggs. Two complete changes from red to red and the egg is soft boiled; three for medium; and four for hard boiled.

HAMMOND, Ind.—When unemployment conditions become intolerable dig yourself a hole in the ground and stay there until conditions improve, said John Miculas, Hammond's only hermit. Miculas follows his own advice.

Miculas lost his job in April, 1929. He made a search for work which carried him over several States and when winter came he found himself in northern Indiana. There was only one thing to do, he said, and that was dig himself in like the soldiers did in the last war.

With a butcher knife he carved out a cavelike home in a sand bank near the city dump. Tin cans, tree stumps and paper cartons were placed about the entrance to keep out the cold. The nearby dump also supplied him food. Old vegetables and bread crust, discarded by others, became real food to Miculas.

Police, searching for a wanted man, came upon the hermit's cave, questioned him and gave him a real meal and a hand ax to use in his work. He would not leave his "home," however.

"I'm here 'till conditions get better,"



"And I'm hanging onto that stock"

CHICAGO—Spare teeth may be just so much excess baggage most of the time, but like spare tires they are mighty convenient in emergencies, delegates attending an international convention of dentists were told. The speaker was Ernest E. Dalton, laboratory expert, of Chicago.

"No one depending on false teeth," he said, "should contemplate a long trip without a spare denture in his traveling bag."

AND ABROAD

DORTMUND, GERMANY—The Work Psychology Institute hired a citizen to drink fourteen bottles of beer daily, at a good salary. They want to find the relationship between beer and fatigue.

NAPLES—The new scientifically built homes erected to replace the hovels thrown down by the earthquake, are not proving popular with the peasants. Many refuse to live in them because their farm animals are not furnished accommodations in the structures.

MILAN—F. T. Marinetti, founder of Futurism, urges the creation of a futurist cuisine. He pleads for a "more dynamic style of cooking, something more simultaneous and agile, something more vivid and heroic."

"Geese frozen in the moon," "soup of roses and sun" are among the dain-

ties suggested. No practical help is offered as to how they should be prepared.

LONDON—The House of Commons voted down the bill to bar alcoholic liquors throughout England. The vote was one hundred and thirty-seven to eighteen.

BRUSSELS—King Albert dips his bread in his morning coffee when he can. "The Queen doesn't like

it and only lets me do it when there is none present but the family," he explained to his hosts on a visit to the Alps.

BUDAPEST—Az Est, Budapest paper, states that a decree had been issued by which employees of Hungarian banks were ordered to have no more than four children, with instant dismissal threatened for any member of a bank staff who should be secretly married.

Confidential Guide

PLAYS

- GREEN PASTURES. Mansfield. \$3.85—The Bible as it seems to the negro—beautifully and amusingly done by an all-negro cast.
- ONCE IN A LIFETIME. Music Box. \$3.85
 —Sat. Hol. \$4.40—Side-splitting satire of Hollywood and the talkies. With George Kaufman—one of the authors—in the cast.
- THE GREEKS HAD A WORD FOR IT. Harris. \$3.85—The intimate home-life of three loose ladies as seen by Zoë Akins.
- MRS. MOONLIGHT. Little. \$3.85—The sad and charming story of a lady unable to grow old during the course of three generations. With Haidee Wright, Guy Standing and Edith Barrett.
- ON THE SPOT. Forrest, \$3.00—Sat. Hol. \$3.85—Edgar Wallace's burlesque melodrama of our Chicago gangsters. With Crane Wilbur and Anna May Wong.
- GRAND HOTEL. National. \$4.40—Exciting, interesting and beautifully staged drama of 36 hours in a Berlin hotel. With Henry Hull and Eugénie Leontovich.
- TONIGHT OR NEVER. Belasco. \$3.85—Sat. Hol. \$4.40—A thoroughly entertaining evening done in true Belasco style. With Helen Gahagan being willingly ruined for the sake of her art.
- THE VINEGAR TREE. Playhouse. \$3.85— Mary Boland as the feather-brained woman with a romantic imagination for

- the past gets herself in difficulties in the present. Swell fun.
- OH PROMISE ME! Royale. \$3.85—Broad farce in which an elderly philanderer gets his deserts and pays. With Lee Tracy.
- PETTICOAT INFLUENCE. Lyceum. \$3.85— Helen Hayes in a drawing room comedy wherein she wangles an appointment for her husband in the diplomatic service.
- THE TRUTH GAME. Barrymore. \$3.85—Airy comedy of a tenacious young man in pursuit of a girl. Ivor Novello wrote the play and is the young man, Phoebe Foster is the girl and Billie Burke is there to watch.
- FIVE STAR FINAL. Cort. \$3.85—An absorbing and thrilling evening in this vigorous attack on the tabloid scandal sheet. With Arthur Byron as the managing editor.
- PHILIP GOES FORTH. Biltmore. \$3.85—Clean, straight-forward, amusing comedy of a nice young man with ambitions to go to the "big city" and be a playwright.
- Tomorrow And Tomorrow. Henry Miller. \$3.85—A woman with a thwarted maternal instinct—a lot of normal delightful conversation—with Zita Johann, Herbert Marshall and Osgood Perkins and based on a Bible story.
- GREEN GROW THE LILACS. Guild. \$3.00— The Guild goes native in this lusty piece of Oklahoma and the early days. With

- Helen Westley, June Walker and Franchot Tone.
- As You Desire Me. Maxine Elliott's. \$3.85
 —Pirandello's disturbing play with Judith Anderson as the lady of doubtful identity. Is she the woman kidnapped by the Germans ten years before?
- PRIVATE LIVES. Times Square. \$3.85—Noel Coward and Gertrude Lawrence in a gay, mad, tempestuous play of a pair unable to live apart but unable to live peaceably together.
- THE BARRETTS OF WIMPOLE STREET. Empire. \$3.85—Katharine Cornell at last gets a worth-while play in this one—based on the lives of Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning.
- DR. X. Hudson. \$3.00—Real hokum mystery with a killer loose and a bunch of scientists out to get him.
- HEAT WAVE. Fulton. \$3.85—Basil Rathbone is here again—with Selena Royle in a play by Roland Pertwee.
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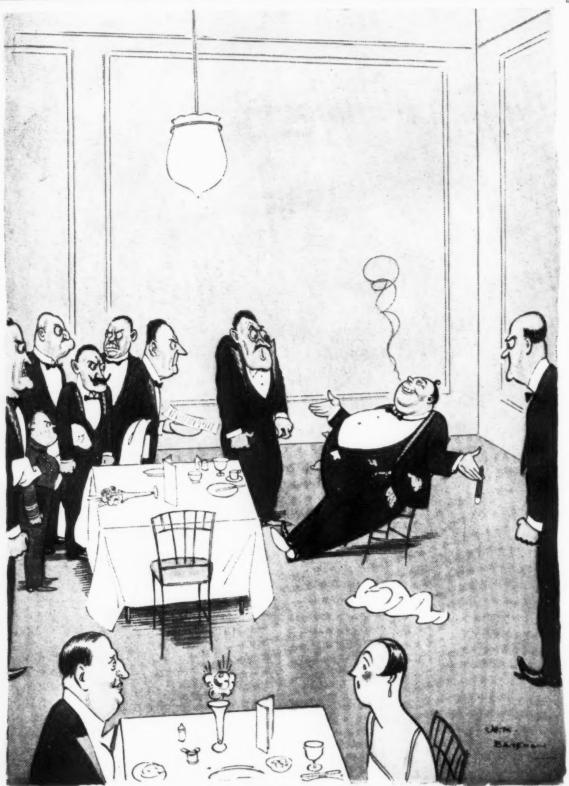
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LIFE IN SOCIETY

Sir Lady and Edward Flagville, of Toronto, are occupying a suite of paragraphs in the *Herald-Tribune*.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Llewis of Llewellyn Park sailed yesterday on the Llaplland for Llos Angeles.

The Hon. Lady Emily Nason-Blenheim, of London and 66 Park Avenue, entertained at luncheon at Sherry's yesterday. Her guests excluded everybody called Mr., Miss or Mrs.

Mrs. Pemberton W. Snape, of Tarrytown, N. Y., has arrived at Coronado Beach for the rest of the season, which will be very difficult to get.

Philip O'Shaw, of New York, thought he entertained at dinner at the Pineneedles Inn for Miss Carolyn Rivermere and Miss Jean Thayer until their husbands turned up next day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Prescott, of Boston, will entertain at dinner this evening for their house guests. The guests will be Count Wolfgang B. M. Kloenne, of Mecklenburg, Germany, Newport, Palm Beach, Southampton and Tuxedo Park.

The Scarsdale Garden Club will hold a chrysanthemum exhibition tomorrow at the Scarsdale Public Library, and next day they will read "The Letters of Henry Adams" in Mrs. Schuster's greenhouse.

Mrs. J. Borden Milliman arrived from Pinehurst yesterday and is at the Herald-Tribune to find out where she's going next.

-Jack Cluett.

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For explanation: Every day has its dog.

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Confider tial Guide

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the audience sits on the stage and the action takes place in the center of the theatre where by the way the seats have been taken out. And Al Jolson returns!

VICTOR RECORDS

"THE WALTZ YOU SAVED FOR ME" and "IN A WINDOW, IN A HOUSE, IN CAROLINE"—Wayne King and His Orchestra. Waltzes made charming and distinctive with violins and violin-clarinet combin-ations. Ernie Birchill sings vocal refrains.

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"Out of Nowhere" (No show)
"We'll Be the Same" and
"I've Got Five Dollars" (America's Sweetbeart)

"Hosanna" (No show)
"A Flower In A Book" (No Show)

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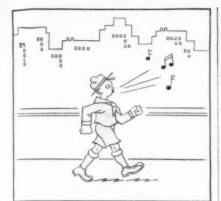
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Answers to Anagrins.

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- (1) Morale.
- (2) Trellis.
- (3) Diogenes.
- (4) Impugned.
- (5) Patches.

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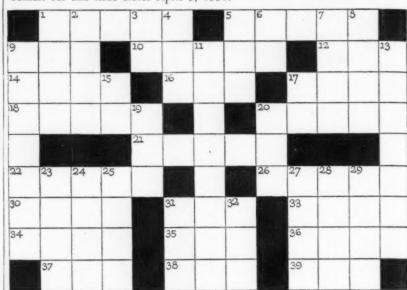
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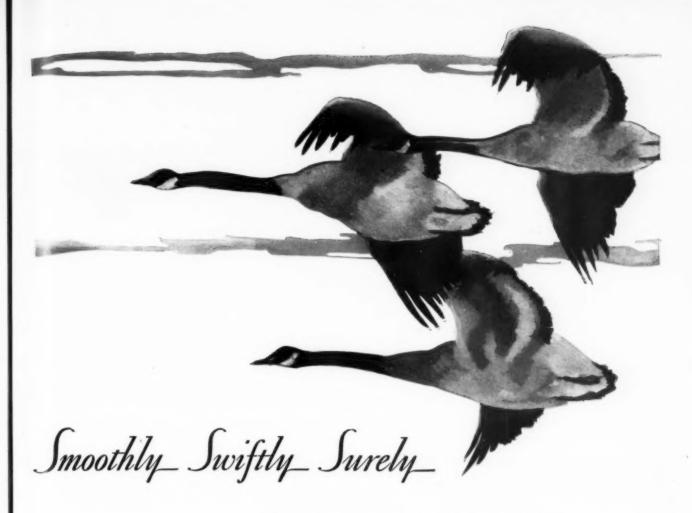


ACROSS

- Monkey business in the theatre.
 He proved there's no keeping a good man down. European fish.
- 10. Lounges.
- Abyssinian Governor.
- 14.
- Scotch uncles. To move like a ferryboat. 16.
- Sacred language of India.
- 18. All hot and bothered.
- 20. A man of iron.
- 21. European city.
- A ring that's been much fought over. Slippery. Stick in the mud. 26
- 30.
- 31.
- Hebrew month. 34.
- Short letter. Highest note in Guido's scale. 35.
- 36. Natives.
- A fox (Old English).
- This is precious. Cathedral town in England.

DOWN

- To get a move on. Little songs.
- Pronoun. This cleans up.
- A greenhorn.
- 6. Bone (Latin).
 7. A sheik
- Light around the head.
- Sentimental gathering.
 This usually carries a banner.
- The fellers around the cracker barrel.
- 15. Compass poi Compass point.
- 19. Article. 20. Fabric.
- 23. Luxurious growth.
- 24. A low-voiced lady.25. Colored.
- 27. Lower to the ground. 28. A heathen God.
- 29. A nit-wit.31. To ask something for nothing.
- 32. A herd of whales.







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